BRIDGE ACROSS FOX RIVER

FEBRUARY 27, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Denison, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 12374]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill H. R. 12374, a bill granting the consent of Congress to the highway commissioner of the town of Elgin, Kane County, Ill., to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Fox River, having considered the same, report thereon with amendment, and as so amended recommend that it pass.

The bill as amended has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

Amend the bill as follows:

Page 1, line 7, after the word "river," insert the following: "at a point suitable to the interests of navigation."

WAR DEPARTMENT, February 25, 1925.

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign

Commerce, House of Representatives.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill, H. R. 12374, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, "Granting the consent of Congress to the highway commissioner of the town of Elgin, Kane County, Ill., to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Fox River," if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the Fox River do not lie within the limits of a girdle State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river.

single State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a bridge

thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS, Secretary of War.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Washington, February 27, 1925.

Hon. Samuel E. Winslow, Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,

United States House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. WINSLOW: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 21, inclosing a copy of H. R. 12374, for report thereon and for such views relative thereto as the department might desire to communicate.

This bill would authorize the highway commissioner of the city of Elgin, County of Kane, State of Illinois, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Fox River, connecting State Street on the east side of the river with Main Street on the west side of the river. The proposed bridge would appear to be a municipal improvement to be made by the city of Elgin. There seems to be no objection to favorable action on the bill from the standpoint of this department.

Sincerely,

HOWARD M. GORE, Secretary.